

The Watchman and Southern

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strauss have returned to Sumter, after a very pleasant trip through the western part of the United States and Alaska, extending over a period of more than two months. Recently they have been spending about two weeks in New York, before returning home.

Mrs. Louis Rosenberg, of Muskogee, Oklahoma, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. Strauss.

Dr. Geo. W. Dick has returned to the city, after spending a week in Richmond.

Miss Hamie Parrott returned to the city yesterday, after a very pleasant visit to relatives at Los Angeles, Cal.

INCESSIONS COURT TODAY.

Walter Harrington, tried for the murder of a negro woman, Emma Cook, was last night found guilty with recommendation to the mercy of the court. This morning another murder case was commenced. James Brown, Sarah Brown and Lula Crim were being tried for the murder of Sam Crim, the husband of Lula Crim, son-in-law of Sarah Brown and brother-in-law of James Brown. The defense alleged that it was a case of suicide.

This case comes from near Hagood and the killing occurred sometime in the summer. J. H. Clifton, Esq., is conducting the prosecution and L. D. Jennings, Esq., is defending the three negroes.

This morning Early Thompson was tried and found guilty on the charge of housebreaking and larceny and given a sentence of one year by Judge Prince.

Clarendon County Notes.

The Santee Association meets with the Clarendon Baptist church at Alcolu on Thursday night, November 9th.

Dr. Champa, who has been in charge of the prescription department at Dickson's Drug store, has resigned and left Monday night for Augusta, where he will engage in business for himself. He is succeeded by Dr. Dunbar of Sumter. Dr. Dunbar is well known in Manning, as he is now in the same position, and made many friends while here.—Manning Times.

From what we can learn there came near being a serious automobile accident last Monday across Black River. It seems that a Mr. DuRant was driving his car right to the back of Mr. Mack McElveen's machine, when very suddenly Mr. McElveen stopped for some hogs that ran out into the road and Mr. DuRant's car ploughed through the back of Mr. McElveen's car, throwing the occupants out, but not hurting anyone. The two Fords were badly broken.—Manning Times.

Mr. Ba Gamble has just purchased a \$300 blood hound to work with his other dog in running down criminals. These dogs are for public work, and Mr. Gamble will be ready to take them out whenever notified.—Manning Times.

We learn that council is contemplating putting in their own electric lighting plant and an engineer will in a few days make a survey of the town.—Manning Times.

There will be a public hearing before the railroad commission in the court house tomorrow at 12 o'clock to discuss the telephone rates in Manning.—Manning Times.

Egypt News Notes.

Egypt, Oct. 19.—The crops are being gathered. The hay and pea crop is very good, but the cotton is not turning out more than a third of a crop.

The Egypt school opened on the 15th, with Miss Minnie Eubank of Greenville as teacher.

Prof. E. O. White spent the last weekend in Egypt.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. White of Rose Hill spent Sunday with their parents at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weldon went to Bishopville Friday.

Mr. J. R. McLeod and J. H. Richbourg went to Bishopville Saturday.

Kershaw Association Meeting.

Pisgah, Oct. 19.—This body met with the Beaver Dam church ten miles north of Camden on Wednesday, the 11th inst., and organized by electing J. E. DuFre moderator; L. H. Carter, clerk, and M. C. West, treasurer. The churches were well represented. Drs. Potat of Furman University and Langston of the Home Mission Board were present and added much to the meeting which was one of the best ever had. The ladies furnished nice dinner each day, abundant for all. The hospitality of the people was fine. The association adjourned Thursday evening to meet next year sometime with the Mt. Pisgah church above Kershaw.

PAXVILLE SCHOOL OPENS.

Very Successful Session is Expected Under Management of Miss Edwards.

Paxville, Oct. 18.—On last Monday morning, October 16th, the Paxville graded school began its session under most favorable circumstances. A large number of patrons and friends of the school were present at the opening exercises. These were presided over by Mr. T. R. Owen, chairman of the board of trustees. After the singing of "America" by school and audience, Rev. M. J. Kyzer of the Baptist church read the Scripture lesson, followed with prayer by Rev. W. M. Gordon of Summerton. Splendid addresses were made by County Superintendent of Education Browne, Lawyer Dinkins of Manning, and Rev. S. D. Bailey of the Methodist church. Miss Leatha Edwards, of Mullins, a graduate of Columbia college, is the principal. She comes highly recommended, and this session promises to be one of the best for many years. She is being assisted by Misses Alice Broadway of the community and Catherine McLaurin, of Sumter. Miss McLaurin has been the primary teacher for several consecutive sessions.

Mrs. John F. Holladay went to the Toumey Hospital Monday to undergo an operation.

Miss Emily Broadway left a few days ago for Bryan, where she will teach this session.

Mrs. Thomas, of Wedgefield, returned home Tuesday, after spending a few days at the bedside of her father, Mr. J. E. Keels. He has been sick for several weeks. His condition remains unimproved.

There was no preaching at the Baptist church last Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. M. J. Kyzer, was at Cordova, where he filled the pulpit. He has been called to the pastorate there.

Rev. S. D. Bailey preached a very forcible sermon last Sunday at the Methodist church on "The Signs of the Times."

Mr. Marion Cox, of Florence, visited his family here this week.

FARM LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

I have a few application blanks for organization of local farm loan associations. A letter from the Columbia committee that is arranging for the hearing next Wednesday asks for all farmers who are active in the organization of local associations to join Mr. Tindal and myself in appearing before the federal farm loan board in Columbia next Wednesday. I hope we may show several locals organized before that date. The Providence and Bethel meetings tomorrow at 4 p. m. and 8 p. m. should result in two organizations. E. W. Dabbs.

Death.

Mr. Bachman Doar of Georgetown died last night, after several weeks' illness, at the Toumey Hospital, where he was brought for treatment about ten days ago. He is survived by four children, two brothers, E. M. Doar and J. Walter Doar of Georgetown, and one sister, Mrs. Eugene Welling of Charleston. The body, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Doar and Mrs. Welling, will be carried to Georgetown this evening and the funeral services will be held tomorrow morning. The deceased was in his forty-second year and was a well known and highly esteemed citizen of Georgetown.

"L. M." THE CORN FARMER.

L. M. Foxworth, the veteran Hustling Farmer from Bossards, was in town today telling about his crop. He says he had to plant early in order to get off to the Birmingham reunion, and that fact saved the day for him, as he made more corn than for years—his corn was so prolific that some of the ears were twins—and he brought along one twin-ear to prove that his story is true. He is not bragging extravagantly on his cotton crop as he made only about a third of a crop. But "L. M." is not cast down—he says.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily by HARBY & CO., Cotton Buyers.
Good Middling 18 1-8.
Strict Middling 18.
Middling 17 7-8.
Strict Low Middling 17 5-8.
Low Middling 17 1-8.

Corrected Daily by ERNEST FIELD, Cotton Buyer.

Good Middling 18.
Strict Middling 17 7-8.
Middling 17 3-4.
Strict Low Middling 17 1-2.
Low Middling 17.
Staple cotton 22 to 26c.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

Yest'day
Open High Low Close
Jan. . . 18.30 .56 .34 .36 .51
Feb. . . 18.38 .64 .35 .36 .51
Mar. . . 18.53 .73 .45 .45 .71
Apr. . . 18.58 .78 .51 .51 .80
May . . 18.38 .44 .15 .15 .40
Dec. . . 18.45 .63 .30 .31 .60
New York spots 19.35.

Notice of Election.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.
County of Sumter.

Notice is hereby given that the General Election for State and County officers will be held at the voting precincts prescribed by law in said county, on Tuesday, November 7, 1916, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday in November, as prescribed by the State Constitution.

The qualification for suffrage: Managers of election shall require of every elector offering to vote at any election, before allowing him to vote, the production of his registration certificate and proof of the payment of all taxes, including poll tax, assessed against him and collectible during the previous year. The production of a certificate of the receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes, shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof.

Section 237, Code of 1912, as amended by Act No. 6, special session of 1914.

Section 237. There shall be three separate and distinct ballots, as follows: One ballot for United States Senator, Representatives in Congress and President electors; and one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State officers, Circuit Solicitors, members of the House of Representatives, State Senator, county officers, and one ballot for all Constitutional amendments and special questions, each of three said boxes to be appropriately labelled; which ballots shall be of plain white paper and of such width and length as to contain the names of the officer or officers and question or questions to be voted for or upon, clear and even cut, without ornament, designation, mutilation, symbol or mark of any kind whatsoever, except the name or names of the person or persons voted for and the office to which such person or persons are intended to be chosen, and all special questions which name or names, office or offices, question or questions shall be written or printed or partly written or partly printed thereon in black ink; and such ballot shall be so folded as to conceal the name or names, question or questions thereon, and so folded, shall be deposited in a box to be constructed, kept and disposed of as herein provided by law, and no ballot of any other description found in either of said boxes shall be counted. On all special questions the ballot shall state the question, or questions, and shall thereafter have the words "Yes" and "No" inserted so that the voter may indicate his vote by striking out one or the other of such words on said ballot, the word not so struck out to be counted.

Before the hour fixed for opening the polls, Managers and Clerks must take and subscribe the Constitutional oath. The Chairman of the Board of Managers can administer the oath to the other members and to the Clerk; a Notary Public must administer the oath to the Chairman. The Managers elect their Chairman and Clerk. Polls at each voting place must be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and closed at 4 o'clock p. m., except in the City of Charleston where they shall be opened at 7 a. m. and closed at 6 p. m.

The Managers have the power to fill a vacancy, and if none of the Managers attend, the citizens can appoint from among the qualified voters, the Managers, who, after being sworn, can conduct the election.

At the close of the election, the Managers and Clerk must proceed publicly to open the ballot boxes and count the ballots therein, and continue without adjournment until the same is completed, and make a statement of the result for each office and sign the same. Within three days thereafter, the Chairman of the Board, or some one designated by the Board, must deliver to the Commissioners of Election the poll list, the boxes containing the ballots and written statements of the results of the election.

At the said election qualified electors will vote upon the adoption or rejection of amendments to the State Constitution, as provided in the following Joint Resolutions:

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 7, Article VIII of the Constitution, Relating to Municipal Bonded Indebtedness, by Adding a Proviso Thereto, Relating to School District No. 1, of Kershaw County.

A Joint Resolution Proposing to Amend Article X of the Constitution by Adding Thereto Section 15, to Empower the Town of Mullins to Assess Abutting Property for Permanent Improvement.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Article X of the Constitution so as to Authorize the Town of Clinton and the City ofasley to Assess Abutting Property for Permanent Improvement.

A Joint Resolution Proposing an Amendment to Article XII, Section 2 of the Constitution, by Striking Out the Whole of Said Section 2, Article XII, and Substituting Therefor a New Section Provided for the Appointment of a Board of Regents for Institu-

tions Maintained for the Care of the Insane, for the Appointment of a Superintendent Thereof, and Defining the Powers.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5, Article XI of the Constitution, Relating to School Districts, by Adding a Special Proviso as to Spartanburg County.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5 Article X of the Constitution, Relating to the Limit of the Bonded Debt of School Districts, by adding a Proviso, Thereto as to the Charleston School-District Comprised Within the Present Limits of the City of Charleston.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 7 of Article VIII, of the Constitution, Relating to Municipal Indebtedness by Adding a Proviso Thereto as to the City of Anderson.

Election Managers.

The following Managers of Election have been appointed to hold the election at the various precincts in the said county:

Sumter, Ward 1.—E. D. Hodge, Alfred Scarborough, B. D. Mitchell.

Sumter, Ward 2.—E. L. Ducom, J. D. Bond, J. E. R. Goodman.

Sumter, Ward 3.—J. S. Kennedy, Ralph Hill, Silas Mellette.

Sumter, Ward 4.—J. I. Lesesne, W. L. Brunson, Sr., J. B. Duffie.

Stateburg.—D. Bull, Jno. L. Frieron, N. B. Murray.

Providence.—S. P. Gaillard, A. C. Burrows, E. P. Scarborough.

Raffing Creek.—T. J. Brown, J. A. Reames, S. L. Young.

Oswego.—E. C. Brown, S. M. McCoy, F. W. Andrews.

Mayesville.—C. M. Witherspoon, R. A. Chandler, S. J. Blackwell.

Shiloh.—S. W. Truluck, Loris C. Locklair, S. J. Mims.

Concord.—P. L. Jones, D. L. Smith, B. W. Brodgon.

Privateer Station.—J. W. Wheeler, Geo. A. Nettles, O. D. Pierson.

Wedgefield.—R. C. Burrows, C. W. Chandler, A. E. Aycock.

Bloomhill.—J. J. Geddings, J. H. Christmas, C. P. Weeks.

The Managers at each precinct named above are requested to delegate one of their number to secure boxes and blanks for the election from E. F. Miller at office of Osteen Pub. Co., on or before Saturday, November 4, 1916.

FRANK A. McLEOD, Chm.
L. S. VINSON,
T. E. HODGE,
Commissioners of State and County Elections for Sumter County, S. C. October 20th, 1916.

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Notice is hereby given that the General Election for Presidential and Vice-Presidential Electors and Representatives in Congress will be held at the voting precincts fixed by law in the County of Sumter on Tuesday, November 7, 1916, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday, as prescribed by the State Constitution. The qualifications for suffrage are as follows:

Residence in State for two years, in the County one year, in the polling precinct in which the elector offers to vote, four months, and the payment six months before any election of any poll tax then due and payable. Provided, That ministers in charge of an organized church and teachers of public schools shall be entitled to vote after six months' residence in the State, otherwise qualified.

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Sumter, Ward 2.—S. K. Nash, J. S. Richardson, R. O. Purdy, Jr.

Sumter, Ward 3.—P. B. Stover, Harvey A. Raffeld, B. P. Shuler.

Sumter, Ward 4.—J. C. Phillips, J. D. Reese, Leroy Witherspoon.

Stateburg.—A. F. Neyle, Jas Pagan, T. R. Moody.

Providence.—Marion Moore, W. H. Jennings, Jr., Willie Boykin.

Raffing Creek.—S. W. Young, J. H. McLeod, John Hawkins.

Oswego.—W. K. McCoy, M. H. Andrews, T. A. Canthen.

Mayesville.—E. C. Spencer, J. R. Mayes, J. H. Burgess.

Shiloh.—Manton McClam, S. J. Player, J. A. M. Caraway.

Concord.—L. J. Newman, DuRant Tisdale, R. M. Jones.

Privateer Station.—J. A. Cooper, Silas Kolb, Percy Harvin.

Wedgefield.—Geo. W. Dew, J. B. Ryan, Sr., Hugh McLaurin.

Bloomhill.—W. J. Ardis, J. E. Johnson, Robt. Christmas.

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H. L. TISDALE, Chairman,
B. M. OLIVER,
T. B. KENNEDY,
Commissioners of Federal Election for Sumter County, S. C.

October 20th, 1916.

The work at the Coast Line passenger station is going steadily ahead in preparation for the moving of the tracks and the laying of concrete walks in the station yard between the tracks and the building of other umbrella sheds. The park at the station grounds will be decreased in size, a twelve foot walk being constructed through a part and the driveway changed and the part of the yard back of the station enlarged by this space. The removal of the tracks or other

MARLBORO
COUNTY FAIR
BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.

Round Trip Fare From Sumter \$2.25

The Coast Line will sell tickets to Bennettsville as above, and at corresponding excursion fares from intermediate stations, for all passenger trains from October 31 to November 3, inclusive, limited returning until midnight of November 4.

For further information, tickets, etc. call on O. V. PLAYER, Ticket Agent, Sumter, S. C.

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work will not be done until after next week, as a big crowd is expected then for the State Fair.

Halloween Party.

All the young people over fourteen, of Trinity Methodist church, are invited to a Halloween party at the parsonage to be given by the Senior Epworth League on Friday, October 20th, at 8 p. m. If possible come in costume and mask.

STATE AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL FAIR

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—AT—

COLUMBIA

Round Trip Fare from Sumter, \$2.15

Including Admission to The Fair

The Atlantic Coast Line will sell tickets as above, and at corresponding excursion fares from all other points in South Carolina, for all trains from October 21 to 27, inclusive, except for trains scheduled to arrive Columbia after 12:00 noon on October 27, limited returning until midnight of Monday, October 30, 1916.

Special Trains will be operated as follows on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 25 and 26.

Ly. Nicholls	6.25 A. M.
Ly. Mullins	6.40 A. M.
Ly. Marion	6.55 A. M.
Ly. Florence	7.55 A. M.
Ly. Timmonsville	8.19 A. M.
Ly. Sumter	9.35 A. M.
Ar. Columbia	11.00 A. M.

Returning—
Ly. Columbia 6.00 P. M.
Ar. Florence (about) . . . 7.25 P. M.
Ar. Nicholls (about) . . . 10.20 P. M.

These trains will stop at all stations to take on passengers going and to let off passengers returning.

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